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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for reelection as representative from Washington County to the 25th General Assembly of the State of Missouri, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

EUGENE C. BAUGHER.

FOR COLLECTOR.

We are duly authorized to announce ROBERT H. EVANS, of Breton township, as a candidate for the office of collector of the revenue of Washington County at the election to be held November 2d, 1896, subject to the decision of the Republican convention or primary election.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are duly authorized to announce JOHN W. HUGHES, of Concord township, as a candidate for the office of sheriff of the revenue of Washington County at the election to be held November 2d, 1896, subject to the decision of the Republican convention or primary election.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are duly authorized to announce JAMES R. WHITEHEAD, of Harmony township, as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Washington County at the election to be held November 2d, 1896, subject to the decision of the Republican convention or primary election.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the Republican Central Committee of Washington County is hereby called to convene at the court house in Potosi at 12 o'clock, noon, on Saturday, March 21st, 1896, for the purpose of transaction of such business as may come before it.

W. T. HUNTER, Chairman.
W. T. WOODFORD, Secretary.

It Spain is really anxious for a scrap with Uncle Sam she will find the old gentleman in an obliging mood.

A few more gold discoveries like that at Cripple Creek will knock all the free silver sentiment out of the western mining states.

The school elections held in St. Louis last week demonstrated that the city can be relied upon to give a Republican majority next November.

The Democrats are still casting about for a man to run for Governor, but so far the man on whom they can all get together has not turned up.

When the time comes to decide between gold monometallism and silver monometallism the people will array themselves by the side of the yellow metal.

The Republicans of this county can congratulate themselves upon the fact that in the JOURNAL they have a well-established organ to support their cause in the coming campaign.

The gold reserve fund is again at a comfortable figure, but the Democratic party is still in power. Which is as much as to say that another bond sale is due on scheduled time.

OTTO W. RAMSEY, of Bismarck, who is a candidate for the office of railroad commissioner on the Republican ticket, will have strong backing from southeast Missouri when the convention meets.

If the Democratic party in Missouri is not wrecked upon the rock of disunion this year, it will not be because Governor Stone and Editor Jones have left anything undone to bring about such a result.

The apportionment of delegates from the counties composing the thirteenth congressional district to the Republican national delegate and congressional conventions is as follows: Carter, 3; Dent, 6; Iron, 3; Jefferson, 17; Madison, 4; Perry, 8; Reynolds, 2; Ste. Genevieve, 8; Shannon, 3; Texas, 9; Washington, 9; Wayne, 8; Webster, 11; Wright, 11.

Up to date 125 delegates to the Republican national convention have been chosen. Of these sixty-one are for McKinley, twenty-five for Reed, ten for Cullum and the rest are scattering. If McKinley maintains this ratio from the delegates still to be selected he will be nominated on the first ballot, and possibly by acclamation. At any rate his lead will be so great that two or three ballots will decide the contest in his favor. McKinley is the man.

Nearly all the great nations of Europe are having their troubles just now. England is met with a set back in trying to extend her power in south Africa, besides having her boundary disputes in Venezuela. France has just passed through a serious political disturbance, which for a time threatened the overthrow of the government. Italy a few days ago met with a crushing defeat in her Abyssinian invasion, which has resulted in riots at home. Spain has her Cuban uprising to contend with. Turkey is slaughtering Armenians, and Germany and Russia are continually maneuvering to get the advantage of some other power. There are stirring times abroad, indeed.

The editor of the "Independent" thinks the taxpayers will contribute about \$150,000 to the JOURNAL, because the county court awarded us the county printing at legal rates this year. As the taxpayers have been contributing that amount, or more, yearly, to the "Independent" for about twenty-five years, it is hardly likely they will register a kick now, especially since a majority of them are Republicans. The rates we get this year will enable us to make up on what we lost on the work last year at 10 cents per square. Altogether the JOURNAL will have saved the taxpayers 45 cents on the square per year for the two years of this court's administration, and it should have the credit for it.

The County Campaign.

In publishing the announcements of candidates for county offices, we open the political campaign of Washington County for 1896, and from now on the interest in local politics will grow warmer, only to culminate on November 3d—election day. The Republicans are early in the field, showing that they are inspired to believe that the conditions which enabled them to take the county affairs out of the hands of the Democracy in 1894, still prevail.

The race for office before the nominating conventions will be free-for-all in both parties, and there will probably be many peeps for the few holes to be filled. After the party nominations are made the real contest of the campaign begins—Democrat against Republican. The election laws no longer tolerate bolters and independent candidates. Candidates must be regular nominees of organized political parties. The Republican ticket will be made up in the interest of party success, whether it be in primary election or county convention. The men who are thus nominated deserve, and will get, the support of the entire party.

The administration of county affairs under Republican rule have been an unqualified success. They have been managed in the interest of good government and economy. No plausible reason has yet presented itself why the party should not be retained in power, nor is it likely that any will be presented between now and election day.

The following is an excerpt from a letter to our Representative, Hon. E. C. Baugher, written by the famous "watch-dog" of the State treasury, Dr. Alonzo Tibbbs, Representative from Osage County, Mo., February 25, 1896.

My Dear Sir and Friend: How have you been since the adjournment of the famous extra-session? Are you "saying nothing and saying wood," as the saying goes? I want you to say enough wood, whether you say anything or not, to secure your return to the next legislature. We will need you then badly. If the Republicans are successful in the state, and I see no reason why we should not be, and especially if we should gain control of both branches of the legislature, I believe that by an early organization of the friends of reform, of those who believe that the expenditure of the people's money, reforming some, at least, of the many abuses that have crept into the administration of our state government, engendered and encouraged by a long continuance of a single political party in control of the state.

Yours truly,
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The Columbia Herald has grave fears lest the Republicans will regain control of the State Legislature and for two or more weeks has been crying "Watch the Legislature," with an earnestness which evidences the fact that the Herald, at least, is serious regarding this matter. The next General Assembly is to elect a successor to George Graham Vest and the Columbia prophet speaks by the book when it suggests that the man elected is likely to be a Republican. It will take more than "watching" to prevent Mr. Vest's defeat, for this is a consummation the people have devoutly hoped for these many years and the ease with which the last House was made overwhelmingly Republican is but an earnest of what the people of Missouri mean to do in November next.—Trenton Tribune.

On the 25th of January, a little over one month ago, the Hon. B. B. Cahoon entered the race for the Republican nomination for governor of Missouri. Since that time Mr. Cahoon has received assurances of support from all over the state, Southeast Missouri being almost a unit for him. The Republicans all over Missouri are beginning to realize the fact that the fight in the convention between the supporters of Davis, Walbridge and Warner will be very strong and for the sake of harmony they will have to go outside of the circle for a candidate. Then, backed as he will be by a solid Southeast Missouri delegation, Mr. Cahoon will be the logical candidate and one on whom all the delegates can unite, as he represents no faction or wing of the Republican party, but is an able lawyer, close student and in every way fitted for the high office to which he aspires. Southeast Missouri will be for Cahoon for governor first, last and all the time.—Fredericktown News.

Arithmetic and Good Roads.

The census returns show that there are in the United States about 15,000,000 horses, 2,000,000 mules and over 40,000 asses. The annual cost of feed for the animals is about \$1,575,000,000. On the roads one horse can haul as much as three horses can haul over the average dirt roads of this country. It is estimated that it would be necessary to build about 1,000,000 miles of macadamized in the United States in order to have as good a system of public highways as is found in several European States. At \$4000 per mile, this would involve an outlay of \$4,000,000,000, a pretty large sum of money.

But if one-half of the draft animals could be dispensed with by the building of such roads, there would be an annual saving of \$750,000,000 in the feed bill. This is 3 per cent interest on \$2,500,000,000. Consequently, if road bonds were issued bearing 3 per cent interest, more than 250,000,000 miles of macadamized road could be built without increasing the annual expense one dollar. The people are actually paying 3 per cent on \$260,000,000 in order to keep up the present bad roads, while it would not cost them one-sixth of that sum annually to build the 1,000,000 miles needed in order to put this country on a par with France in the matter of good roads.

Little Curious Notes.

The most valuable Bible in the world belongs to a Chicago man. He bought it at the Brayton Ives sale of rare books for \$14,800.

The onion is an historic vegetable, having been used since the dawn of history by the Greeks, the Romans, and the Egyptians.

When a pound of a bushel of corn is burned it yields about one-twentieth of its original weight in ashes. Some glomers of human family statistics say that a man or woman of correct proportions is six times as high as the right foot is long.

The entire book of Genesis was written on gold plates by a committee of the "Fathers of the Church" in the year 400 A. D.

Over one-third of the entire population of the globe, or about 400,000,000 people speak nothing but Chinese language.

Charles Davenport, now, or very recently, a resident of Cambridge, Mass., claims to be the person who built the first American railroad car.

China supplies Europe hundreds of tons of human hair annually. Last year the Chinese shipped over \$1,000,000 worth of that staple out of the kingdom.

J. C. Kissinger, a successful farmer and banker of Butler County, Pennsylvania, is a father of 34 children, 19 by his first wife and 15 by a second.

An authority on deaf mutes says that the ratio of deaf mutes to hearing is about 1 to each 1,600, according to which there are about 40,000 such persons in the United States, and about 1,000,000 in the world's entire population.

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